

What is claimed is:

1. A system for paying a vendor for items shipped to a customer, comprising:
receiving an order from the customer for items supplied by the vendor;
placing the order with the vendor;
receiving an acceptance from the vendor;
accessing data from a Central Contract Registry (CCR) Database to
retrieve vendor payment data; and
paying the vendor using the CCR database.
2. The method of claim 1, further comprising keeping a local copy of the CCR
database in a system database.
3. The method of claim 2, further comprising importing the CCR data into a
public data storage and a private data storage.
4. The method of claim 3, wherein the importing further comprises transferring
data over a secure protocol.
5. The method of claim 1, further comprising using the CCR data to Register
Vendors, Search and Select Vendors for solicitation of services and/or
delivery of supplies; View Vendor Profile; or Electronic Transfer Funds for
outstanding account payable.
6. The method of claim 3, wherein the vendor registration further comprises
validating the vendor's DUNS/CAGE data and Point of Contact data.
7. The method of claim 1, wherein the view vendor profile further comprises
displaying Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors;
Business Type; Geographic Location; or NAICS/SIC Code.

8. The method of claim 1, wherein the search vendor profile further comprises receiving as a search parameter one or more of the following: Business Name; DUNS and CAGE Code; Socio Economic Factors; Business Type; Geographic Location; and NAICS/SIC Code.
9. The method of claim 1, further comprising
 - retrieving CCR public data and private data;
 - determining the vendor's business name and mailing address from the public data;
 - determining the vendor's electronic fund transfer (EFT) information from the private data; and
 - using the EFT information to pay the vendor.
10. The method of claim 9, further comprising:
 - providing vendor payment information to an accounting system; and
 - formatting the payment information to include vendor payment information and an account payable amount; and
 - reflecting the payment in the accounting database.
11. A method for ordering items from one or more vendors qualified in a Central Contract Registry (CCR) database, comprising:
 - grouping items for a predetermined vendor;
 - placing the order with the vendor;
 - after acceptance to the items by the customer, paying the vendor through the vendor's private CCR data.

12. The method of claim 11, wherein placing the order further comprises including a fund cite number and a delivery address.